

HIS NEPHEWS

Will Get the Bulk of "Silent" Smith's Estate.

IT IS \$25,000,000.

His Wife Is Bequeathed \$3,000,000—Two Hospitals in New York Get \$100,000 Apiece.

New York, May 8.—The will of the late Henry James ("Silent") Smith was made public in this city last night. The value of the estate is estimated at not more than \$25,000,000. All his near kin receive legacies and there are bequests of \$100,000 each to two local hospitals. The will provides for a direct heir, but of this it is said there is not a remote possibility. His nephews, George Grant Mason and William Smith Mason, are the principal beneficiaries of the estate, receiving two-thirds and one-third, respectively, of the residue.

George Grant Mason was until recently division superintendent of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad. William Smith Mason is a bank official at Evanston, Ill.

Mr. Smith died at Kyoto, Japan, March 26, while he and Mrs. Smith were on their bridal tour. The body was brought to this country. The funeral was held here Tuesday.

The following legacies are made: To his wife, Annie Armstrong Smith, in lieu of dower, the sum of \$3,000,000, to be taken by her either in cash or in securities.

To his daughter, Anita Stewart, a life interest in 500 Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co. 4 per cent. bonds of \$1,000 each.

To his sister, Mary, Lady Cooper, wife of Sir George Cooper, a life interest in 1,000 Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Co. 4 per cent. bonds of \$1,000 each, the same to go to her children at her death.

To his sister, Mrs. Victor Rossbach, \$250,000.

To his sister, Mrs. John Mills, \$250,000.

In trust for the son of his brother, George Alexander Smith, of Evanston, Ill., \$500,000.

To Mrs. William Pickrell, a cousin, of Phoenix, Ariz., \$50,000.

To George Simpson Eddy and Thomas Eddy, sons of Mrs. Margaret Eddy, a cousin, of Chicago, \$100,000 each.

To his niece, Mrs. Lucy Vose, \$250,000.

To Mrs. William Farr, of Kenosha, Wis., a cousin, \$50,000.

To his cousin, James C. Keith, of Vancouver, \$100,000.

To his butler and housekeeper, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Downe, \$10,000 each.

To his valet, John Piggott, \$5,000.

To his coachman, John Kehoe, and to his coachman, William Davis, each \$1,000.

Abraham Is Another Jean Valjean.

St. Louis, May 8.—Holding that his case resembles that of William Janney, alias Anderson, of Kansas City, friends in this city of Clarence Abraham, alias Bert Gleason, are circulating a petition requesting his release from the penitentiary at Lansing, Kan. On May 20, 1899, Abraham was convicted of burglary and sentenced to serve seven years in the penitentiary. On March 4, 1904, he escaped. He came to St. Louis, married and led the life of a good citizen under the assumed name of Bert Gleason. Last December he was recognized and sent back to prison.

Ware's Case Is in Court Again.

St. Paul, Minn., May 8.—A rehearing in the case of George G. Ware, plaintiff in error, against the government, was begun in the federal court of appeals Tuesday. Ware was convicted on an indictment of the federal grand jury in which it was alleged that he conspired with two others to defraud the government out of large tracts of land in Nebraska. Ware is an Episcopal clergyman located at Deadwood, S. D., and has 200,000 acres of land and large herds of cattle.

Faustine Renew Hostilities.

Middleboro, Ky., May 8.—In a fight on Sugar Run creek Tuesday John Howard and Martin Green were killed and Elphen Howard is said to have been fatally shot. James and George Green were badly wounded. The fight was between the Greens and Howards and will probably reopen a bloody feud in the mountains of this country. All the men are widely connected.

Landis Reserves His Decision.

Chicago, May 8.—The arguments for a new trial in the case of the government against the Standard Oil Co., in which that corporation was recently convicted in the federal court of accepting illegal rebates, were concluded Tuesday. Judge Landis said that he would not give his decision for several days.

Heldup Men Murdered an Engineer.

Butte, Mont., May 8.—The North Coast limited, eastbound train No. 22 on the Northern Pacific railway, was held up by two masked men near Weld's Spur, a siding 18 miles east of Butte, early Tuesday morning. Engineer James Clow was shot and killed and Fireman James Sullivan was shot through the arm. Without making an attempt to blow up the express car, as was evidently intended, the robbers jumped from the engine and escaped. Bloodhounds trailed the robbers to Woodville and one man was arrested on suspicion.



MINOR MENTION.

Mrs. Joseph McKenty, of Spring Valley, Pa., a bride of two days, committed suicide by inhaling illuminating gas. She was 48 years old.

A woman and her two children were burned to death in a fire which destroyed a block of houses occupied by three families at Beaver Brook, Pa.

William O. Rice, of 131 Hickman street, Washington, D. C., shot and killed his wife, mortally wounded his baby and then committed suicide by shooting himself.

The British government has decided to make a grant of \$750,000 to Jamaica and to guarantee the island a loan of \$5,000,000 to assist in its rehabilitation from the effects of the earthquake.

Folded in his attempt to hold up with the aid of a companion two trolley conductors in West Philadelphia and fearing that he had killed a policeman in his effort to escape, Harold S. Jones, aged 16 years, shot and killed himself on the street.

Will Withdraw from Texas.

New York, May 8.—Following a meeting Tuesday of the Association of Life Insurance Presidents, a statement was issued in which it was intimated that the companies represented in the association would withdraw from Texas when the new insurance law of that state becomes effective, June 1. The new legislation, which provides that 75 per cent. of the reserve on Texas policies shall be invested in Texas securities, is declared by the association to be confiscatory in its effect.

A Battle on Shipboard.

San Diego, Cal., May 8.—With 921 Chinese steerage passengers at war with 212 Russian steerage passengers, all from Vladivostok and Shanghai for Mazatlan, the British steamer Maori King put in here Tuesday in distress. A virtual state of mutiny exists on the vessel and the ship is now lying at quarantine guarded by immigration and custom officials. In the fighting between the Chinese and Russians 14 persons were wounded.

Thousands Starved to Death.

Cape Town, May 8.—Finding it useless to further resist the German troops, 15,000 Herero tribesmen decided some time ago to move northward with the object of establishing a settlement in the Lake Ngami region, but only 4,000 of the natives reached their destination after terrible sufferings, the remaining 11,000 having perished from starvation.

Embezzlement Is Alleged.

Seattle, Wash., May 8.—A warrant was sworn out Tuesday for the arrest of John Riplinger, ex-city controller and defeated republican candidate for mayor of Seattle last year. The complaint alleges embezzlement of city funds. Riplinger is now in Honduras.

Agreed to Resist Strikers' Demands.

New York, May 8.—Representatives of trans-Atlantic steamship companies against which a strike for higher wages has been declared by the longshoremen last night decided to refuse the advance asked and stand together in the fight.

Passed a Bill to Refund Mortgage Tax.

Lansing, Mich., May 8.—The lower house of the legislature on Tuesday passed a bill to repeal the law which lays a 2 per cent. tax on mortgages and all credits.

Mexico Insists.

Mexico City, May 8.—Mexico has sent another and stronger note to Guatemala insisting on the delivery of Gen. Jose Lima, accused of instigating the murder of Gen. Barrillas. What will happen in case of a second refusal is not discussed in official circles. Those well informed consider the situation very critical.

Street Talk to Be Prohibited.

Boise, Idaho, May 8.—Street preaching or speaking or speaking will be stopped in Boise during the trials of Haywood, Moyer and Pettibone.

IT HAS FEW FRIENDS.

The New Home Rule Bill for Ireland Is a Half-Way Measure.

London, May 8.—The government on Tuesday presented its long-awaited Irish bill to the house of commons and the country. This bill is designed to meet the demands for Irish home rule. It was presented by the chief secretary for Ireland, Mr. Birrell, to a crowded house. Prior to the appearance of this measure it was termed a "devolution bill," but now it is referred to as the "Irish council bill," or the "Irish bill."

Compared with the home rule bills of 1886 and 1906 the present measure confers little self-government upon Ireland, merely giving to the council control of the eight departments now managed by government boards. The council is to be appointed by the crown, and while the lord lieutenant of Ireland is given power to nullify its measures, the crown retains control of five of the eight departments, including the constabulary. The control of this branch always has been a thorn in the flesh of the Irish people.

This half-way measure is wholly pleasing to no political party. The unionists regard it as a step toward home rule. The radicals are disappointed that the measure falls so far short of actual home rule, and the Irish members are even more disappointed with it. The Irish leaders, however, are maintaining a diplomatic attitude until they have time to study the bill and learn the sentiment of the people.

A Carpenter Murders Six People.

San Francisco, May 8.—Walter Davis, a carpenter, in a fit of insanity Tuesday shot and killed a family of six persons with whom he resided at 414 Pierce street, this city. The dead: Orson R. Rush, aged 57, his wife and their young son. W. S. Bard, a carpenter, M. E. Vinton, a surveyor, recently from New York. Mrs. Lillian D. Carothers, an elderly woman who boarded in the house. Davis was arrested. He claimed the people in the house had plotted to kill him and take his money.

Railroads Are Indicted for Rebating.

New York, May 8.—Indictments charging violation of the Elkins anti-rebating act were handed down by a federal grand jury Tuesday against the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad, the Ontario & Western railroad, the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad and the Western Transit Co. All the indictments contain several counts, the largest number being in that against the Ontario & Western. The charges are said to be based upon payments alleged to have been made by the railroad companies to the American Sugar Refining Co.

Found 600,000 Lottery Tickets.

Cincinnati, May 8.—Detectives found nearly 600,000 lottery tickets here Tuesday while examining the effects of Richard Beyrer, a saloon-keeper arrested on a charge of selling the tickets. The tickets were issued by a German lottery company.

\$300,000 Goes Up in Smoke.

Chicago, May 8.—The seven-story brick building located at the corner of Washington and Canal streets occupied by Morley Brothers, wholesale dealers in saddlery and hardware, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss \$300,000.

Missionary Is Arrested for Forgery.

Honolulu, May 8.—W. D. Clark has been arrested here on a charge of forgery. The warrant was issued in Hastings, Mich. Clark has been engaged in missionary work among the Koreans.

An Actress Suicides.

New York, May 8.—Worry over divorce troubles is believed to have been responsible for the suicide Tuesday of Muriel Nelson, an actress, violinist and music writer who shot and killed herself in her apartments at the Hotel Benington.

KEPT IT DARK

Record of Big Mortgage Given by Mrs. Thaw

WAS HIDDEN AWAY

Practice of Suppressing Legal Records in Allegheny County, Pa., Has Become a Scandal.

Pittsburg, May 8.—"Lyndhurst," the pretentious home of Mrs. William Thaw in the East End section of this city, has been mortgaged for \$100,000, according to the Pittsburg Leader. The mortgage was secured some time ago, the book containing the record has been hidden and information concerning the document did not become public until Tuesday. The interest charged is 5 1/2 per cent. and the mortgage is held by the Fidelity Title and Trust Co. It will mature in three years.

The paper was drawn in New York City on March 7, 1907, and was witnessed by Attorney Clifford W. Hart, of Harry Thaw's counsel, and John P. Meagher, a notary, who did the necessary work of witnessing and putting the official seal of the commonwealth upon the document.

Extraordinary efforts were made to keep the mortgage secret. It is the only one recorded in mortgage book No. 1353 and the book, instead of being in its proper place in the county recorder's office, is still in the transcribing room on the third floor of the Allegheny county court house.

The incident following so closely upon the suppression of the recording of a marriage license to Miss Ellen Terry, the actress, on March 22 and which was not known until this week, has caused much adverse comment on the conduct of the record offices is the Allegheny county house and a movement is afoot among the legal fraternity for an investigation.

The practice of suppressing records and licenses has grown to such proportions that only a few documents that are recorded are made known to the public and these concern persons without influence. Investigation proves that the license issued for the Terry marriage was not recorded until late Monday and that there had not been a marriage license entered in the index, as prescribed by the law, since March 8.

Eruption of Stromboli Continues.

Messina, Sicily, May 8.—The Stromboli volcano has been active since April 23. Clusters and stones, accompanied by loud explosions, have been frequently thrown out of the crater. The vegetation in the vicinity of the mountain has been destroyed. The people continue to leave the island.

Gardiner Is Acquitted.

Columbus, O., May 8.—Richard J. Gardiner, formerly secretary of the Builders' Exchange, charged with embezzlement, was declared not guilty by a jury last night. Gardiner, it was alleged, converted to his own use \$495.10 of the funds of the exchange.

Four Men Killed in a Collision.

Wheeling, W. Va., May 8.—Four trainmen were killed, four others were injured and three passengers were hurt early Tuesday when an eastbound freight train on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad met train No. 7, the New York & Chicago express, at Rosby's Rock, 20 miles east of here. The dead: Christ T. Wener, 25 years old, Shady-side, O., baggage-master of No. 7; W. H. Thomsen, McMechen, W. Va., fireman on No. 7, crushed in his engine; J. L. Peabody, Baltimore, express messenger on No. 7, smothered in the wreckage; H. A. Christy, Bridgeport, O., fireman on No. 96.

Has Not Asked North to Resign.

Columbus, O., May 8.—Paul North, of Cleveland, president of the state fish and game commission, had a conference Tuesday with Gov. Harris, following which the governor said that matters regarding the work of the commission would remain unchanged for the present, so far as he is concerned. The governor denied a rumor that he had asked for the resignation of President North. He says he has asked for no resignations and does not contemplate doing so.

Sues His Sons for \$7,000 Damages.

Cleveland, May 8.—Claiming that his sons entered into a conspiracy to send him to an insane asylum so that they could get possession of his property, aged Charles E. Jenkins has brought suit in common pleas court against his sons for \$7,000 damages. Jenkins was a former well known contractor. The sons named in the suit are Attorney C. O. Jenkins, president of the Jenkins Steamship Co., and Dr. Alfred A. Jenkins and Henry E. Jenkins.

Train Jumped the Track.

Marionetta, O., May 8.—A Pennsylvania train which left this city for Cleveland Tuesday was derailed near here. The tender jumped the track, taking the whole train with it. The train was running 37 miles an hour at the time and, strange to say, none of the cars was overturned. No one was seriously injured.

Birmingham, Ala., May 8.—The jury in the case of Alex. R. Chisholm, former paying teller charged with having embezzled \$100,000 from the First National Bank of Birmingham, brought in a verdict of guilty and fixed the punishment at six years in the federal penitentiary.

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"The least symptom of Kidney Trouble, such as backache, should be given prompt attention, and a good reliable treatment should be taken until every trace of the disease has been eliminated. I am glad to be able to give your readers a prescription which I have seldom known to fail in any case. It contains no harmful ingredients, is pleasant to take, not expensive and can be filled at any good drug store. It is as follows: Fluid Extract Casarea Aromatic, one-half ounce; Concentrated Barkola, one ounce; Fluid Extract Prickly Ash Bark, one-half drachm; Aromatic Elixir, four ounces. Take a teaspoonful after each meal and at bedtime. I am glad to have you publish this prescription as I know that it will help your afflicted readers, who give it a fair trial. If taken continuously for a few weeks it is almost an absolutely certain cure for Rheumatism, Kidney Trouble, Back-Ache, Bladder and Urinary Troubles."

MADE STIR IN THE HOUSE.

Lady's Presence in British Commons Caused Consternation.

A lady appeared in the house of commons one night, and members feared for a moment that the dreams of the suffragists had come true. The tall, broad, and stalwart Sir John Kennaway pushed his way through the swinging doors and made toward the bar. There was a gasp of surprise when in his bulky wake was sighted a demure little lady in a fawn coat. Instant visions of a suffragist plot for a woman to force entrance into the Parliamentary holy of holies under the expansive shadow of Sir John Kennaway's coat! "Lady, lady!" shouted two door guardians dashing in. A big attendant, dozing in a corner, jumped forward to block the way. Mr. Gosset, the deputy sergeant-at-arms, gripped his sword and looked like business. Pell-mell was the female intruder hustled into the lobby, looking very frightened, for she had been an unwitting sinner. Members smiled, settled themselves and soon lapsed again into slumberous attitudes.—St. James' Gazette.

MONEY SPENT FOR SODAS.

Ten Thousand Dollars a Day Not Unusual in Big City.

"Ten thousand dollars" worth of soda water a day—well, probably, said a city druggist whose trade in the effervescent fluid is a considerable part of his business. "In summer the day's bill for this city is doubtless all of that and more. Take the average price of sodas at ten cents per glass, figuring that the Sundays and other 15-cent concoctions offset the five-cent drinks, and \$10,000 means a hundred thousand glasses of sodas, not an excessive estimate for a million and a half people, allowing for the visiting strangers, who are generally thirstier than the natives. Oh, yes, it has opened, but probably this day's sales over the whole town won't exceed \$5,000, or perhaps they will be less than that. But, all told, allowing for good days and bad, winter and summer, this city probably drinks at least a million dollars' worth of soda water a year, and, what's more, never misses the money.

Too Much Frankness.

Dr. Hollis B. Frissell, the learned principal of the famous Hampton institute, in the course of an eloquent appeal paused, smiled and said: "But I must not lose my head. I must not let emotion run away with me. I must not be like the young lady at the bazaar.

"This young lady besought an elderly man to take a chance on a meerschaum pipe.

"Thank you," the old man said, "I'd be glad to take a chance, but, unfortunately, I don't smoke."

"Oh, but you can learn," said the young lady. "Come, take a chance, do! It's only a quarter."

"No," said he. "Tobacco doesn't agree with me. I'd have no earthly use for that meerschaum pipe."

"Take a chance anyway," pursued the young lady. "There isn't the slightest probability of your winning it, you know."

Justifiable.

The cat had eaten the canary. "I haven't any compunctions about it, either," she said, picking her teeth with her claws. "I couldn't eat the planola on the first floor or the graphophone on the third, but I could make a meal of the musician on the second floor, and I've done it."

With a satisfied grin on her face she curled up on the floor behind the gas range and went to sleep.—Chicago Tribune.

CABIN MADE OF ANCIENT BONES.

It Is the World's Most Curious and Most Expensive Home.

"The queerest house in the world," said a zoologist, "is undoubtedly the famous bone cabin in Wyoming, near the Medicine Bow river. This cabin's foundations are built of fossil bones. Bones of dinosaurs—jaws of the dipodocus, teeth of the brontosaurus, vertebrae of the ichthyosaurus, vertebrae of the camarasaurus, chunks of the barosaurus, the cetiosaurus, the ornitholestes, or bird-eating dinosaur—all entered into this wonderful cabin's foundations, making it the most curious and the most costly edifice, not excepting the Pennsylvania capitol, in America.

"This hut was built by a Mexican sheep herder, who had happened by chance upon the grandest extinct animal bed in the world. This was a plot about 50 yards square, wherein lay in rich profusion the bones of all the animals of the reptilian age. The heaviest and the lightest, the largest and the smallest, the most tranquil and the most ferocious, lay side by side.

"The place was evidently once a river bar, and the dead bodies that floated down the stream were here arrested, to lie for hundreds of thousands of years, till a sheep herder came along, and, rooting among bones as big as bowlders, set about the building of the world's queerest cabin."

JUST SNIFFED THE WHISKY.

New Yorker Claims Act Gives Him Pleasant Memories.

A man entered a down-town restaurant the other day and ordered a whisky, says the New York Times.

The waiter brought a bottle of it. The man uncorked it, raised it to his nose, and took a long sniff. Then he took another. Then he took a third—a long, contemplative sniff. Finally he wound up the performance with a fervent king-sniff, one that he seemed loth to end. But he did end it at last, with a sigh. Then he replaced the bottle on the table, and called the waiter.

"Take it away," he said.

The waiter removed the bottle. "Well, upon my word," said some one at another table, "I certainly thought that old fellow liked that whisky from the way he sniffed at it, but there he is sending it back. I wonder what other kind the waiter will bring him instead."

But the waiter brought him no more whisky. The man ate his lunch in silence, smoked his cigar, paid his check, and went his way.

"He swore off long ago," explained the waiter to a curious somebody at another table. "But he always takes six sniffs of whisky at every meal. Gives him pleasant memories, he says."

"Going to the Dogs."

The phrase, "going to the dogs," with which Father Bernard Vaughan has been making effective play in connection with pet-worship, has puzzled the explainers of metaphorical expressions rather needlessly. It has even been suggested that it is a profane perversion of "going to the gods," and an allusion has been detected to "canis," the dog throw, the worst throw with the dice among the ancient Romans. Shakespeare's "Throw physic to the dogs," and the Scriptural "Give not that which is holy unto the dogs," have been quoted in connection with the expression. But it seems a fairly obvious reference to the fate of the worn-out horse, condemned to be slaughtered. The old Greek curse, "Go to the crows!" may be compared, referring as it did to the Greek's horror of having his body left unburied as food for carrion birds.—London Chronicle.

Cremation on the Increase.

Cremation is increasing in Great Britain, the number of bodies cremated being 742 in 1906, against 604 in 1905. Consul Mahin of Nottingham writes: "There are crematories at Leicester, Hull, Leeds, Ilford, Bradford and Sheffield, owned by the respective municipalities, besides several conducted by companies in other cities. The operation of cremation requires about an hour and a half; the ashes are perfectly white and weigh four pounds, and the cost is about \$25. Cremation is now fully recognized by law in Great Britain, though strictly guarded."

Rival of Beeswax.

A substitute for beeswax has been discovered in the leaves of the rapha palm, a product of the island of Madagascar. The wax is extracted by the simple process of beating the dried leaves on a mat to small bits. The particles are then gathered and boiled. The resultant wax is kneaded into small cakes. Experiments are being made with the new substance to find out its commercial value, whether it may be used for blotting purposes, in the manufacture of phonographic cylinders, etc.

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